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Response to Office Action dated 10/02/2007

**Amendment to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A solid electrolytic capacitor comprising:
  - a porous sintered body of metal particles or conductive ceramic particles, the sintered body having a first surface and a second surface opposite to the first surface;
  - an anode partially inserted in the porous sintered body and partially projecting from the porous sintered body between the first and second surfaces;
  - ~~a first and a second anode terminals provided by portions of the anode which project from the porous sintered body; and~~
  - a first cathode plate formed on an obverse the first surface of the porous sintered body;
  - ~~wherein circuit current flows from the first anode terminal toward the second anode terminal through the porous sintered body~~
  - a second cathode plate formed on the second surface of the porous sintered body and separated from the first cathode plate by intervention of the porous sintered body;
  - and
  - a shorting conductive member for shorting between the first and second cathode plates.
2. (Original) The solid electrolytic capacitor according to claim 1, wherein the anode comprises a plurality of anode wires.
3. (Currently Amended) The solid electrolytic capacitor according to claim 1, wherein the anode comprises an anode wire having opposite ends projecting from the porous

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sintered body; ~~and wherein the first and the second anode terminals are provided by the opposite ends.~~

4. (Original) The solid electrolytic capacitor according to claim 1, wherein the porous sintered body is made of niobium particles or niobium oxide particles.

5. (Original) The solid electrolytic capacitor according to claim 1, wherein the porous sintered body is in a form of a flat plate.

6. (Currently Amended) The solid electrolytic capacitor according to claim 5, wherein the porous sintered body includes a side surface standing in a thickness direction between the first and second surfaces; and

wherein the ~~first and the second~~ anode terminals project from the side surface.

7. (Currently Amended) The solid electrolytic capacitor according to claim 5, wherein the porous sintered body includes at least two side surfaces standing in a thickness direction between the first and second surfaces; and

wherein the ~~first and the second~~ anode terminals project from the ~~different~~ side surfaces.

8. (Currently Amended) The solid electrolytic capacitor according to claim 5, wherein the anode is flattened in section.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently Amended) The solid electrolytic capacitor according to claim 1, wherein the anode includes a first anode terminal and a second anode terminal, the first anode terminal ~~is being~~ higher in equivalent series inductance than the second anode terminal.

11-17. (Cancelled)

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18. (New) A solid electrolytic capacitor comprising:

- a porous sintered body of metal particles or conductive ceramic particles, the sintered body having a first surface and a second surface opposite to the second surface;
- an anode partially inserted in the porous sintered body;
- a first and a second anode terminals provided by portions of the anode which project from the porous sintered body; and
- a cathode formed on an obverse surface of the porous sintered body;
- a first and a second cathode terminals electrically connected to the cathode;
- wherein circuit current flows from the first anode terminal toward the second anode terminal through the porous sintered body;
- wherein circuit current flows from the first cathode terminal toward the second cathode terminal through the cathode;
- wherein the first cathode terminal is higher in equivalent series inductance than the second cathode terminal.

19. (New) A solid electrolytic capacitor comprising:

- a porous sintered body of metal particles or conductive ceramic particles, the sintered body having a first surface and a second surface opposite to the second surface;
- an anode partially inserted in the porous sintered body;
- a first and a second anode terminals provided by portions of the anode which project from the porous sintered body; and
- a cathode formed on an obverse surface of the porous sintered body;
- wherein circuit current flows from the first cathode terminal toward the second cathode terminal through the cathode;
- wherein the cathode includes a pair of metal members sandwiching the porous sintered body; and
- wherein at least one of the paired metal members comprises a metal case accommodating the porous sintered body.